REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication:	Teenage Special #20
Other Known Title:	Not Stated
Format:	Magazine
Director/Author:	Not Applicable
Producer/Publisher:	W.S. City
Country of Origin:	Denmark
Language:	Danish, German, English, Spanish, other unidentified European languages
Classification:	Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years.
Descriptive Note:	Not Applicable
Display Conditions:	That when the publication is on public display, the classification given to the publication must be shown on the publication or any package in which the publication is kept. and That the publication must be publicly displayed only in a sealed package. and That where the publication is publicly displayed in a package, the package must be made of opaque material. and That the publication must be publicly displayed only in premises, or a part of a premises, set aside for the public display of restricted publications (whether or not articles other than restricted publications are also displayed in those premises or that part of those premises).
Date of entry in Register:	16 February 2005

Date of direction to issue a label: Not Applicable

Applicant: Secretary for Internal Affairs

Applicant to the Labelling Body: Not Applicable

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Unexcised version of publication: Not Applicable

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Menu:		
Feature:		
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Reasons for excisions:

Not Applicable

Summary of reasons for classification:

The magazine *Teenage Special #20* is classified as:
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The magazine is dominated by explicit photographic images of young women in sexualised poses or engaging in sexual activity. The magazine's title encourages the reader to see the young women as teenagers and the models appear to be in their late teens or older. There are no other significant or effective cues in the magazine that give the reader an impression that the women are teenagers below the age of 18 years. For this reason the magazine cannot fairly be said to promote or support, or tend to promote or support, the exploitation of young persons. Some images are however, mildly to moderately demeaning and dehumanising to the young women, and by association, women generally.

The right to freedom of expression has been weighed against the likelihood of injury to the public good. The explicit depictions of sex in the magazine would make its availability injurious to the public good unless it is restricted to persons 18 years of age and over. The likely injury to younger viewers is that it will lead to negative attitudes and behaviours relating to their sexuality, sexual and personal relationships, and understanding of gender roles. This limitation on availability is reasonable, demonstrably justified and the minimum required to reduce the likelihood of injury arising from persons under the age of 18 viewing the magazine.